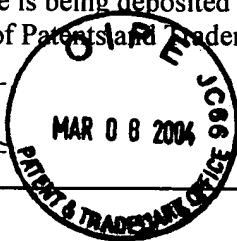
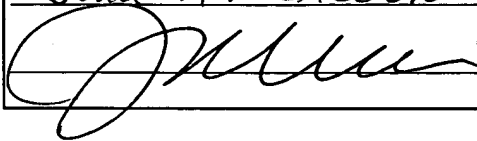


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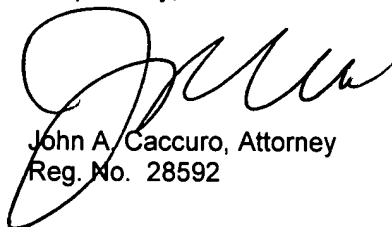
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**Dear Person:**

Enclosed is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

**No additional fee is required.**

Respectfully,



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AMENDMENT

This amendment is in response to the Office action of Dec. 5, 2003.

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In response to the Office action, please amend the claims of the  
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